The Ordinances (Canons) of the Province of New England, The Episcopal Church

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Canon I. Vision; Purpose; Goals

Sec. 1. Vision
God calls us to partner in God's mission, and to share mutual support and fellowship in order to extend the Reign of God. The Church's provincial structure presents opportunities for collaboration within and among the dioceses of the Province in worship, ministry and mission to help realize this vision.

Sec. 2. Purpose
Canon I.9.2 of the Canons of The Episcopal Church states:

> The primary purposes of the Provinces are to facilitate interdiocesan collaboration to achieve Diocesan and Episcopal Church goals, and to enable more effective communications and regional advocacy of significant programmatic efforts.

Our Province enables Episcopalians to share how the Holy Spirit is moving in these seven dioceses. We ask what we should be listening for and how we should resource initiatives across the range of ministries to which God is calling us. We wish to nurture local, regional and global partnerships for participation in God's mission.

Sec. 3. Goals
As a province, we are bound by the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church. We seek to create opportunities for innovative and compassionate collaborations to achieve the ministry and missional objectives of the dioceses of the Province.

Canon II. Governance

Sec. 1. Name
The name of the First Province shall be "The Province of New England," commonly known as "Province I."

Sec. 2. Provincial Canons
Canon I.9. Sec. 9 of The Episcopal Church authorizes each Provincial Synod "to enact Ordinances for its own regulation and government." Hereinafter such "Ordinances" are termed "Canons."

Sec. 3. Provincial Synod
(a) The Provincial Synod, hereinafter termed "Provincial Conference" or "Conference," shall have the power to enact its own Canons for its own regulation and government, consistent with the Canons of The Episcopal Church; to perform such other duties as may be committed to it by the General Convention; to deal with all matters within the Province; to adopt a budget for the maintenance of any provincial work undertaken by the Provincial Conference; and to create an Executive Committee with power to administer and carry on such work as may be committed to